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Applicants: WALKER et al.
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PRODUCTS

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Examiner: MYHRE, James W.

PAYMENT OF DEFICIENCY OWED

and

NOTIFICATION OF LOSS OF SMALL ENTITY STATUS

under 17 C.F.R. § 1.28

Commissioner for Patents
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To Whom It May Concern:

For the reasons set forth below, in accordance with 17 C.F.R. § 1.28, Assignee requests an error in entity status be excused, authorizes a deficiency payment of \$490 based on a previous erroneous payment of a small entity fee and provides notification of a loss of entitlement to small entity status.

RELEVANT FACTS AND PROOF

Assignee, Walker Digital, LLC, previously established status as a small entity for this U.S. Patent No. 6,988,077 in good faith. A fourth-year maintenance fee of \$490.00 as a small entity was paid on Assignee's behalf in good faith on June 17, 2009 (copy of the Maintenance Fee Statement is enclosed).

Assignee later discovered that through error the Office was not notified of a loss of entitlement to small entity status as required by § 1.27(g)(2) and the small entity status fee was provided in error.

Assignee respectfully requests that the error be excused upon submission of this paper, which complies with the submission and itemization requirements of paragraphs (c)(1) and (c)(2) of 17 C.F.R. § 1.28, and authorizes the deficiency payment required by paragraph (c)(2) of that section. Assignee further request the deficiency payment be treated as a notification of loss of entitlement to small entity status per paragraph (d) of that section.

This paper is limited to the deficiency payment for U.S. Patent No. 6,988,077. The following is an itemization per (c)(2)(ii) of the total deficiency payment:

Fourth year maintenance fee

Small entity actually paid: \$490.00 on June 17, 2009 (see enclosure)

Deficiency owed: \$490.00

TOTAL deficiency payment owed: \$490.00

Assignee authorizes a charge of \$490.00 be deducted from Deposit Account
No. 50-0271.

Respectfully submitted,

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According to the records of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO), the maintenance fee and any necessary surcharge have been timely paid for the patent listed below. The "PYMT DATE" column indicates the payment date (i.e., the date the payment was filed).

The payment shown below is subject to actual collection. If the payment is refused or charged back by a financial institution, the payment will be void and the maintenance fee and any necessary surcharge unpaid.

Direct any questions about this statement to: Mail Stop M Correspondence, Director of the USPTO, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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6,988,077	\$490.00	\$0.00	06/17/09	09/283,389	01/17/06	04/01/99	04	NO	WALKER DIGITAL LLC

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